# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN Green Bay Division

DESIGN BASICS, LLC, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

Case No: 1:14-cv-1102-WCG

LEXINGTON HOMES INC., et al.,

Defendants,

and

ACUITY, A MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY,

Intervenor Defendant.

## JOINT CIV. L.R. 7(h) EXPEDITED NON-DISPOSITIVE MOTION TO AMEND THE SCHEDULING ORDER

The Plaintiffs, Design Basics, LLC ("DB"), Prime Designs, Inc. ("PDI"), and Plan Pros, Inc. ("PPI"), by their attorneys, Dana A. LeJune and Michael T. Hopkins; the Defendants, Lexington Homes, Inc. ("LHI"), Team Stimpson, LLC ("TS"), Tailwind Crossings, LLC ("TWC"), Ponds of Menasha, LLC ("POM"), Fieldstone Investments, LLC ("FI"), Centennial Centre, LLC ("CC"), Jeffrey T. Marlow ("Marlow"), Michelle L. Stimpson ("Stimpson"), and Greg Wells ("Wells") (collectively, "Defendants"), by their attorney, Frank W. Kowalkowski; and the Intervening Defendant, ACUITY, A Mutual Insurance Company ("Acuity"), by its attorney, Christine Rice, jointly move for an Order amending the scheduling order. The factual basis for this motion is as follows:

The Court entered a Scheduling Order in this matter on January 22, 2015 (Dkt. 26) which set the following deadlines and other dates:

Party with burden of proof to produce experts' reports

July 17, 2015

Responsive experts' reports to be produced August 17, 2015

Rebuttal experts' reports produced September 18, 2015

Discovery cut-off October 30, 2015

Filing of dispositive motions December 7, 2015

Final pretrial conference April 1, 2016

Jury trial April 18, 2016

Due to difficulties encountered by Defendants, they provided reports from four (4) designated experts (on "burden of proof issues") to Plaintiffs on August 12, 2015. Plaintiffs consented to this extension of time with the intent of being able to depose each of Defendants' three experts within a three week period after the reports were produced so that responsive experts could be identified within two weeks thereafter, additional expert and fact discovery could be concluded, and the parties could still meet the dispositive motion date provided in the Scheduling Order.

However, because of conflicts experienced in attempting to coordinate the calendars of three trial counsel and four expert witnesses, two of the witnesses could not be scheduled for deposition until September 14, which have been concluded. The remaining two experts were deposed yesterday and today, September 21 and 22, 2015.

After concluding the depositions of Defendants' experts, Plaintiffs will require three to four weeks in which to have responsive experts' reports prepared. Once these reports are

exchanged, the parties anticipate they will require another six weeks in which to depose

Defendants' experts, have any rebuttal reports prepared, and thereinafter complete discovery.

Based upon the foregoing, the parties jointly request that the Court extend the remaining Scheduling Order dates by 60 days and amend the Scheduling Order as follows:

Responsive experts' reports to be produced October 21, 2015

Rebuttal experts' reports produced December 1, 2015

Discovery cut-off January 15, 2016

Filing of dispositive motions February 22, 2016

Final pretrial conference and jury trial,

on or after June 15, 2016

Dated this 22nd day of September, 2015.

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